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[*on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/64/820)*]

64/271. Support account for peacekeeping operations

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 45/258 of 3 May 1991, 47/218 A of 23 December 1992, 48/226 A of 23 December 1993, 55/238 of 23 December 2000, 56/241 of 24 December 2001, 56/293 of 27 June 2002, 57/318 of 18 June 2003, 58/298 of 18 June 2004, 59/301 of 22 June 2005, 60/268 of 30 June 2006, 61/245 and 61/246 of 22 December 2006, 61/256 of 15 March 2007, 61/279 of 29 June 2007, 62/250 of 20 June 2008 and 63/287 of 30 June 2009, its decisions 48/489 of 8 July 1994, 49/469 of 23 December 1994 and 50/473 of 23 December 1995 and its other relevant resolutions,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the performance of the budget of the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009[1] and on the budget for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011,[2] the report of the Secretary-General on the comprehensive analysis of the Office of Military Affairs in the Department of Peacekeeping Operations[3] and the report of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee on the proposed budget of the Office of Internal Oversight Services under the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011,[4] as well as the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[5]

Recognizing the importance of the United Nations being able to respond and deploy rapidly to a peacekeeping operation upon adoption of a relevant resolution of the Security Council, within thirty days for traditional peacekeeping operations and ninety days for complex peacekeeping operations,

[1] A/64/611 and Add.1.
[2] A/64/697 and Add.1 and 2.
[3] A/64/572 and Corr.1.
[4] A/64/652.
[5] A/64/753.

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Recognizing also the need for adequate support during all phases of peacekeeping operations, including the liquidation and termination phases,

Mindful that the level of the support account should broadly correspond to the mandate, number, size and complexity of peacekeeping missions,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011[2] and the report of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee on the proposed budget of the Office of Internal Oversight Services under the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011;[4]

2. *Reaffirms* its role in carrying out a thorough analysis and approval of human and financial resources and policies with a view to ensuring the full, effective and efficient implementation of all mandated programmes and activities and the implementation of policies in this regard;

3. *Also reaffirms* that the Fifth Committee is the appropriate Main Committee of the General Assembly entrusted with responsibility for administrative and budgetary matters;

4. *Further reaffirms* rule 153 of its rules of procedure;

5. *Reaffirms* that the support account funds shall be used for the sole purpose of financing human resources and non-human resource requirements for backstopping and supporting peacekeeping operations at Headquarters, and that any changes in this limitation require the prior approval of the General Assembly;

6. *Also reaffirms* the need for adequate funding for the backstopping of peacekeeping operations, as well as the need for full justification for that funding in support account budget submissions;

7. *Emphasizes* the importance of interaction and coordination with troop-contributing countries;

8. *Recalls* section I, paragraph 6, of resolution 55/238, paragraph 11 of resolution 56/241, paragraph 19 of resolution 61/279 and paragraph 22 of resolution 62/250, and requests the Secretary-General to make further concrete efforts to ensure proper representation of troop-contributing countries in the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and the Department of Field Support of the Secretariat, taking into account their contribution to United Nations peacekeeping;

9. *Reaffirms* the need for effective and efficient administration and financial management of peacekeeping operations, and urges the Secretary-General to continue to identify measures to increase the productivity and efficiency of the support account;

10. *Notes* that the overall benefits of the restructuring of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and the Department of Field Support remain to be fully assessed, and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to continue to make every effort to enhance the capacity of the Organization to manage and sustain peacekeeping operations;

11. *Recognizes* the significant role of the Police Division of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations in contributing to peacekeeping operations, including their peacebuilding efforts, and the increase in the policing dimension in a number of operations;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include an assessment of the level of the post of Police Adviser in the context of his report on the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012;

13. *Emphasizes* that support functions should be scalable to the size and scope of peacekeeping operations;

14. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to review the level of the support account on a regular basis, taking into consideration the number, size and complexity of peacekeeping operations;

15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of General Assembly resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007 and 64/269 of 24 June 2010, and other relevant resolutions;

16. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[5] subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

17. *Recalls its request* to the Secretary-General in section III, paragraph 3, of its resolution 61/275 of 29 June 2007;

18. *Requests* the Secretary-General to fill all vacancies in an expeditious manner;

19. *Decides* to maintain, for the financial period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011, the funding mechanism for the support account used in the current period, from 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010, as approved in paragraph 3 of its resolution 50/221 B of 7 June 1996;

Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009

20. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the performance of the budget of the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009;[1]

Budget estimates for the financial period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011

21. *Approves* the support account requirements in the amount of 356,033,000 United States dollars for the financial period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011,[6] inclusive of the amount of 57,033,000 dollars for the enterprise resource planning project previously approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 64/243 of 24 December 2009, including 1,241 continuing posts and 21 new temporary posts listed in annex I to the present resolution, and 134 continuing positions and 29 new general temporary assistance positions listed in annex II, as well as their related post and non-post requirements;

[6] The amount for the financing of the support account does not include the 7,672,300 dollars for the financing of the United Nations Office to the African Union as provided for in resolution 64/288.

Financing of the budget estimates

22. *Decides* that the requirements for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the financial period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 shall be financed as follows:

(*a*) The unencumbered balance in the total amount of 1,959,200 dollars in respect of the financial period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009, to be applied to the resources required for the financial period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011;

(*b*) The total amount of 7,094,800 dollars, comprising interest income of 2,383,000 dollars, other miscellaneous income of 1,379,400 dollars and cancellation of prior-period obligations of 3,332,400 dollars, to be applied to the resources required for the financial period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011;

(*c*) The amount of 4,303,500 dollars representing the excess of the authorized level of the Peacekeeping Reserve Fund in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2009, to be applied to the resources required for the financial period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011;

(*d*) The balance of 342,675,500 dollars to be prorated among the budgets of the active peacekeeping operations for the financial period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011;

(*e*) The net estimated staff assessment income of 29,007,800 dollars, comprising the amount of 29,322,700 dollars for the financial period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 and the decrease of 314,900 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2009, to be set off against the balance referred to in subparagraph (*d*) above, to be prorated among the budgets of the individual active peacekeeping operations.

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Annex I

A. Support account posts to be established for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011

Organizational unit		*Number of posts*	*Post level*	*Function*	*Status*
Department of Peacekeeping Operations					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	Front Office	1	P-4	Programme Officer	New
		1	P-4	Field Safety Officer	New
	Executive Office	1	P-2	Associate Administrative Officer	New
Office of Military Affairs	Office of the Military Adviser	1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	New
Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions	Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration Section	1	P-3	Programme Officer	New
	Criminal Law and Judicial Advisory Service	1	P-5	Senior Policy Officer	New
	Police Division	1	P-4	Criminal Information Analysis Officer	New
	Office of the Assistant Secretary-General/Security Sector Reform Unit	1	P-3	Programme Officer	GTA conversion
Policy, Evaluation and Training Division	Partnerships Team	1	P-5	Senior Partnerships Liaison Officer, Brussels	New
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant, Brussels	New
	Peacekeeping Best Practices Section	1	P-4	Civil Affairs Officer	New
	Subtotal	**11**			
Department of Field Support					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	Front Office	1	P-5	Senior Programme Officer	New
	Conduct and Discipline Unit	1	P-3	Programme and Coordination Officer	New
	Subtotal	**2**			
Department of Management					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	Executive Office	1	P-3	Administrative Officer	New
Office of Programme, Planning, Budget and Accounts	Accounts Division	1	P-3	Finance Officer	New
	Peacekeeping Financing Division	1	P-3	Finance and Budget Officer	New
Office of Human Resources Management	Human Resources Policy Service	1	P-4	Legal Officer, Nairobi	New
		1	P-3	Legal Officer, Nairobi	New
	Subtotal	**5**			

Organizational unit		*Number of posts*	*Post level*	*Function*	*Status*
Office of Internal Oversight Services					
Internal Audit Division	United Nations Support Office for the African Union Mission in Somalia	1	P-5	Chief Resident Auditor	New
		1	P-3	Auditor	New
		1	NGS	Auditing Assistant	New
	Subtotal	**3**			
	Total	**21**			

Note: The specific assignment of the new posts for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 is set out in the report of the Secretary-General (A/64/697) and referenced in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/64/753).

Abbreviations: GS (OL), General Service (Other level); NGS, National General Service; GTA, General Temporary Assistance.

B. Support account redeployment, reassignment and reclassification of posts for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011

Redeployments

Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of the Under-Secretary-General/Situation Centre

Redeployment of 1 post (P-5 Senior Security Coordination Officer) to the Office of the Chief of Staff

Department of Field Support/Field Personnel Division/Field Central Review Body

Redeployment of 4 posts (1 P-4 Human Resources Officer, 1 P-3 Human Resources Officer and 2 GS (OL) Human Resources Assistants) to the United Nations Logistics Base

Department of Field Support/Logistics Support Division/Specialist Support Service/Engineering Section

Redeployment of 1 post (P-3 Environmental Officer) to Office of the Director

Office of Internal Oversight Services/Internal Audit Division

Redeployment of 1 post (P-3 Resident Auditor) from the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo to the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti

Office of Internal Oversight Services/Investigations Division

Redeployment of 1 post (P-4 Resident Investigator) from the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste to the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur

Reassignments

Department of Field Support/Office of the Under-Secretary-General/Office of the Assistant Secretary-General

Reassignment of 1 post (P-4 Administrative Management Officer) to the Audit and Board of Inquiry Team (P-4 Board of Inquiry Officer)

Reclassifications

Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of the Under-Secretary-General/Public Affairs Section

Reclassification of 1 post (P-2 Associate Public Affairs Officer to P-3 Public Affairs Officer)

Department of Management/Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts/Peacekeeping Financing Division

Reclassification of 1 post (P-3 Finance and Budget Officer to P-4 Finance and Budget Officer)

Reclassification of 1 post (P-4 Finance and Budget Officer to P-5 Chief of Section)

Department of Management/Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts/Treasury

Reclassification of 1 post (P-3 Cashier to P-4 Cashier)

Annex II

Support account general temporary assistance positions to be established for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011

Organizational unit		*Number of positions*	*Position level*	*Function*[a]	*Status*
Department of Peacekeeping Operations					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	Front Office	1	P-4	Organizational Resilience Officer	New
		—	8 months P-4	Field Safety Officer	New
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	New
	Executive Office	—	4 months P-3	Administrative Officer	—
		—	4 months GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	—
	Public Affairs Section	1	P-3	Internal Communications Officer	New
Office of Operations	Africa I Division	1	P-4	Coordination Officer	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Team Assistant	Continuation
	Africa II Division	1	D-1	Principal Officer	New
		1	P-4	Political Affairs Officer	New
		1	P-3	Political Affairs Officer	New
		1	P-3	Military Maritime Officer	New
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	New
Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions	Criminal Law and Judicial Advisory Service	1	P-3	Corrections Officer	New
		1	P-4	Judicial Officer	New
Office of Military Affairs	Current Military Operations Service	1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	New
	Military Planning Section	1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	New
Policy, Evaluation and Training Division	Peacekeeping Best Practices Section	2	P-3	Coordination Officer	Continuation
		1	P-4	Child Protection Adviser	Continuation
	Integrated Training Service	1	P-4	Training Officer	Continuation
		1	P-3	Training Officer	Continuation
		2	P-4	Training Coordination Officer	New
	Partnerships Team	1	P-5	Senior Coordination Officer	Continuation
		1	P-4	Coordination Officer	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Team Assistant	Continuation
	Subtotal	**24**			

Organizational unit		*Number of positions*	*Position level*	*Function*[a]	*Status*
Department of Field Support					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	Front Office	1	D-1	Team Leader	New
		1	P-5	Senior Support Officer	New
		1	P-4	Planning Officer	New
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	New
Field Personnel Division	Recruitment, Outreach and Career Development Section	12	P-3	Occupational Group Manager	Continuation
		4	GS (OL)	Occupational Group Assistant	Continuation
	Quality Assurance and Information Management Section	1	P-3	Human Resources Officer	Continuation
Logistics Support Division	Air Transport Section	1	P-3	Air Transport Officer	Continuation
	Specialist Support Service	1	P-3	Asset Management Officer	Continuation
		1	P-3	Water Engineer	Continuation
		1	P-3	Boundary Analyst	New
	Subtotal	**25**			
Department of Management					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	Headquarters Committee on Contracts	1	GS (OL)	Training and Analysis Assistant	Continuation
		1	P-4	Capacity Development Officer	Continuation
Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts	Financial Information Operations Service	1	P-2	Information Systems Officer	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Information Systems Assistant	Continuation
		1	P-4	Information Systems Officer	Continuation
	Accounts Division	1	P-4	Policy Guidance and Training Officer	Continuation
		1	P-4	Strategic Deployment Stocks Officer	Continuation
		3	GS (OL)	Finance Assistant	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Benefits Assistant	New
	Treasury	1	P-3	Finance Officer	Continuation
		1	P-2	Associate Finance Officer	New
	Peacekeeping Financing Division	1	P-3	Finance and Budget Officer	Continuation
		1	P-3	Finance and Budget Officer	Continuation
Office of Human Resources Management	Strategic Planning and Staffing Division	—	6 months P-4	Human Resources Officer	Continuation
	Human Resources Information Systems Section (New York)	1	P-4	Data Warehouse Project Manager	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	IMIS Help Desk Assistant	Continuation

Organizational unit		*Number of positions*	*Position level*	*Function*[a]	*Status*
	Human Resources Information Systems Section (Bangkok)	1	P-4	Chief, Inspira Centre of Excellence	Continuation
		1	P-3	Career Portal Analyst	Continuation
		1	P-3	Development and Production Support Analyst	Continuation
		1	P-2	Associate Applications Support Officer	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Database Administrator	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
		6	GS (OL)	Customer Support Representative	Continuation
		1	GS (PL)	Customer Support Representative	Continuation
	Learning, Development and Human Resources Services Division	1	P-3	Human Resources Officer	Continuation
		1	P-3	Human Resources Officer	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Human Resources Assistant	Continuation
	Human Resources Policy Service	1	P-3	Legal Officer	Continuation
		1	P-2	Legal Officer	Continuation
Office of Central Support Services	**Office of the Assistant Secretary-General**	1	P-3	Administrative Officer	Continuation
	Procurement Division	3	GS (OL)	Procurement Assistant	Continuation
		1	P-3	Procurement Officer	New
		2	P-3	Procurement Officer	New
	Facilities and Commercial Services Division	1	P-2	Associate Records Management Officer	Continuation
		1	P-3	Office Space Planning Officer	Continuation
	Subtotal	**44**			
Office of Internal Oversight Services					
Investigations Division	New York	1	P-5	Senior Investigator	Continuation
		3	P-4	Investigator	Continuation
		2	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Office Assistant	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Information Technology Assistant	Continuation
Investigations Division	Nairobi	1	D-1	Deputy Director	Continuation
		1	P-5	Senior Investigator	Continuation
		1	P-4	Forensic Investigator	Continuation
		3	P-4	Investigators	Continuation
		6	P-3	Investigators	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
		3	GS (OL)	Investigation Assistant	Continuation

Organizational unit		*Number of positions*	*Position level*	*Function*[a]	*Status*
Investigations Division	Vienna	1	D-1	Deputy Director	Continuation
		1	P-5	Senior Investigator	Continuation
		1	P-4	Investigator	Continuation
		1	P-4	Forensic Investigator	Continuation
		7	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
		1	GS (PL)	Investigation Assistant	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Investigation Assistant	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Information Technology Assistant	Continuation
Investigations Division	UNOCI	1	P-4	Investigator	Continuation
	UNMIS	1	P-4	Investigator	Continuation
		2	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
	MINUSTAH	1	P-4	Investigator	Continuation
	MONUC	1	P-4	Investigator	Continuation
		1	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
		1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
	UNMIL	1	P-4	Investigator	Continuation
		2	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
		1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
Internal Audit Division	New York	1	P-4	Information and Communications Technology Auditor	New
	UNSOA	1	P-4	Auditor	New
	Subtotal	**53**			
Executive Office of the Secretary-General		—	6 months GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
		—	6 months GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
	Subtotal	**—**			
Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services		1	P-4	Case Officer	New
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	New
	Subtotal	**2**			
Ethics Office		1	P-3	Ethics Officer	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
	Subtotal	**2**			
Office of Legal Affairs					
General Legal Division		1	P-4	Legal Officer	Continuation
Office of the Legal Counsel		—	6 months P-4	Legal Officer	New
	Subtotal	**1**			

Organizational unit	*Number of positions*	*Position level*	*Function*[a]	*Status*
Office of Information and Communications Technology				
Infrastructure Management Service	1	P-4	Information Systems Officer	Continuation
	4	P-3	Information Systems Officer	Continuation
	2	GS (OL)	Information Systems Assistant	Continuation
Field Systems Service	2	P-3	Information Systems Assistant	Continuation
	2	P-4	Project Manager	Continuation
Subtotal	**11**			
Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions	1	P-4	Administrative Officer	New
Subtotal	**1**			
Total	**163**	**positions (of which 29 are new)**		
		and 40 person-months (positions of less than 12 months duration)[b]		

Abbreviations: GS (OL), General Service (Other level); GS (PL), General Service (Principal level); NGS, National General Service; MONUC, United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo; UNMIL, United Nations Mission in Liberia; UNMIS, United Nations Mission in the Sudan; MINUSTAH, United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti; UNOCI, United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire; UNSOA, United Nations Support Office for the African Union Mission in Somalia.

[a] The specific assignment of the general temporary assistance positions is set out in the report of the Secretary-General (A/64/697) and referenced in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/64/753).

[b] Person-months are indicated in the column titled "position level".